

REMARKS

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowability of claims 1-12, 31-38 and 61-62 subject only to a Supplemental Reissue Declaration. Enclosed please find the Supplemental Reissue Declaration to overcome the previous objections.

In addition, claims 3, 39 and 60 have been amended by adopting the Examiner's suggestions to provide claim antecedent basis.

Furthermore, applicants note that the Amendment filed February 11, 2002, failed to include underlining in all newly added claims to this reissue. Accordingly, claims 36, 38 and 61-62 are reproduced in this amendment with underlining even though these claims are not amended herein.


New claims 63-113 have also been added and claims 63-96, 98-99, 101-111 and 113, which are directly or indirectly dependent on allowable claims 31 and 32 and, therefore, are also believed to be allowable.

These claims all find support in the original subject matter, especially in Figs. 3 and 4 of the drawings and in the description in the specification in the "Summary of the Invention" bridging column 1-3 of the specification. Additional specific support can be found in column 4, lines 13-49, 63-65; column 5, lines 7-14, 20, 26-42; column 6, lines 1-26, 36- column 7, lines 4, 10-13, 19-32, lines 66- column 8, line 7, lines 13-16, 41-43; and column 10, line 24-26, as well as the original claims of U.S. Patent 5,822,216. In addition, new independent claims 97 and 100 are directed to a door for retrofitting an existing vending machine comprising computer and selector assemblies wherein said computer is connected to said selection and activated by said selection device for connecting the computer to the Internet and conveying information from the Internet to a web site or home page of the manufacturer of the item purchased; the owner or operator of the vending machine; or that of the Internet provider. New claim 112 is directed to a door for retrofitting an existing vending machine,

including a selector device, a payment control device and a video display screen for providing video interactions by the customer with the Internet.

These claims should be allowable.

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3. (Amended) The vending machine of claim 1, wherein said communication comprises software for selectively connecting said computer to a plurality of different internet sites, and being connected to said selector device for automatically connecting said computer to a specific internet site in response to a selected item.

37. (Amended) The vending machine of claim 32, further comprising:

at least one audio-video recording, storage, and playback mechanism selected from the group including data storage unit, programmable audio-video message storage unit, laser-disc, read-write CD-ROM, read only memory recording medium, magnetic media and diskette for storage of data and recording, storage and playback of audio and video signals,

wherein a customer is enabled respectively to upload and download audio and video signals from and to said audio-video mechanism to and from websites and home pages, and to send and receive data from and to said audio-video mechanism to and from other data transmitters or receivers.

39. (Amended) The vending machine of claim 32, further comprising:

a camera connected to said computer for generating video signals;

a microphone connected to said computer for generating audio signals; and

at least one audio-video recording, storage, and playback mechanism connected to said computer for recording said audio and video signals,

wherein said audio and video signals are provided live through the Internet and are recorded by said audio-video mechanism and said [storage unit] audio-video storage mechanism.